

Achievement Gap



What is the Achievement Gap?

The achievement gap refers to the significant disparity in academic performance between groups of students, such as students from higher-income and lower-income levels. While given the same schooling and tools, children from higher-income levels consistently outperform children from lower income levels.



Bridging the Achievement Gap

Did you know that children from the highest socioeconomic status (SES), have been read to 1,000 hours before kindergarten, while those from the lowest SES have only been read to 25 hours?

Did you know that children from the highest SES have had 45 million words addressed to them by age 4, while those from the lowest SES have only had 13 million words addressed to them?

These are two outcomes of the impact of the Achievement Gap, which is the significant and persistent disparity in academic performance between different groups of students, such as students from higher-income and lower-income, for example.

Kids Incorporated of the Big Bend provides comprehensive early education and care services to 208 children from 6 weeks of age to age 3 and their families in 5 Early Head Start (EHS) centers in Leon, Jefferson and Madison counties. In addition, we provide home based services for 24 families and prenatal services to 30 women and their families.

We are committed to attacking this achievement gap and are launching a program to engage our EHS families to helping us.

We need your help to make this a success.

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